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## EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS: AUSTRALIA, OCTOBER 1974 PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

#### MAIN FEATURES

- The number of wage and salary earners in civilian employment (excluding those in agriculture and private domestic service) decreased by 7,900 in October 1974 to a total of 4,827,600. This was the fourth successive month in which a decrease occured.
- Employment in manufacturing continued to fall, the decrease in October being 17,600. The main industries affected were founding, engineering and metal working (-5,000), yarns, textiles, etc. (-2,500), and clothing and knitted goods (-2,900).
- There were 25,200 fewer employees in manufacturing industries in October 1974 than in October 1973. The main components of this fall were 9,600 in yarns, textiles, etc. and 8,300 in clothing and knitted goods.
- In October, employment increased in retail trade (4,000), health and hospitals (2,200), hotels and personal service (1,900) and education (1,800).

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### Introduction

This preliminary statement will be followed in due course by the monthly bulletin *Employment and Unemployment* (Reference No. 6.4) which gives information in greater detail.

#### Reference period

2. Current data supplied by reporting enterprises or establishments generally refer to persons on the payroll for the last pay-period in each month.

#### Scope of Estimates

3. The series in this statement relate only to wage and salary earners not the total labour force. The statistics therefore exclude employers, self-employed persons and unpaid helpers. Also excluded, because of

the inadequacy of current data, are employees in agriculture and private domestic service, and some part-time employees. For the sake of brevity, wage and salary earners are referred to in the tables as 'employees'.

4. Persons who are on paid leave or who work during part of the pay-period and are unemployed or on strike during the rest of the period are generally counted as employed. Those not shown on employers' payrolls because they are on leave without pay, on strike or stood down for the entire period are excluded.

#### Method of estimation

- 5. The estimates are based on benchmarks derived from the results of the 1966 population census. Month-to-month changes shown by current returns are linked to the benchmark data to derive the monthly estimates. Current returns are of three main types:
  - . payroll tax returns
  - . returns from government bodies
  - . other current employment returns (e.g. for hospitals).
- 6. Recorded employment obtained from these sources is estimated to account for about 90 per cent of the total number of employees in the industries covered. The balance (that is, unrecorded private employment) is estimated.

#### Government employment

- 7. Government employees comprise not only administrative employees but also all other employees of government bodies (Australian, State, local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road transport, banks, post office, air transport, education (including universities), broadcasting, radio and T.V., police, public works, factories and departmental hospitals and institutions.
- NOTE. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding. The figures shown are subject to revision.

TABLE 1. – CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES (Excluding agriculture and private domestic service) ('000)

									Au	stralia
Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T. (a)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)
				1	MALES	,				
1973-September	1,119.2	841.6	418.1	278.4	230.3	90.1	21.4	45.1	3,044.3	3,056.1
October	1,119.4	842.1	419.0	278.8	231.8	90.6	21.4	45.5	3,048.6	3,060.7
1974-September	1,131.2	(c)848.4	432.0	286.6	237.3	91.4	23.3	47.7	(c)3,098.0	(c)3,110.1
October	1,128.8	850.2	429.7	285.7	237.7	91.4	23.3	48.0	3,095.0	3,107.2
				F	EMALES					
1973-September	615.0	475.7	206.1	151.0	128.5	42.1	10.8	27.5	1,656.7	1,661.4
October	621.9	480.7	208.3	152.6	129.6	42.3	10.8	27.7	1,674.1	1,674.1
1974-September	r640.1	491.7	219.3	163.4	135.5	44.2	12.9	30.4	r1,737.5	r1,742.3
October	637.4	490.8	219.3	162.5	13 <b>5.</b> 5	44.0	12.9	30.3	1,732.6	1,732.5
				P	ERSONS					
1973-September	1,734.2	1,317.3	624.2	429.4	358.8	132.2	32.2	72.6	4,701.0	4,717.4
October	1,741.3	1,322.8	627.3	431.4	361.4	132.9	32.2	73.2	4,722.7	4,735.6
1974-September	r1,771.3	(c)1,340.1	651.3	450.0	372.8	135.6	36.2	78.1	r(c)4,835.5	r(c)4,852.3
October	1,766.2	1,341.0	649.0	448.2	373.2	135.4	36.2	78.3	4,827.6	4,840.7

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (b) For details of the methods used see Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, 1974 (Reference No. 1.10). (c) Affected by industrial disputes. r - revised.

TABLE 2. - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES (PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT) AND DEFENCE FORCES: AUSTRALIA (Excluding agriculture and private domestic service) (\*000)

8	1			Governn	nent (a)		Defense	Total civilian	
	Month	Private	Australian State (b		Local (b) Total (b)		Civilian employees	Defence forces (c)	employees and defence forces
				1	MALES				
1973–	September	2,195.2	262.8	486.4	100.0	849.1	3,044.3	69.5	3,113.8
	October	2,202.0	263.0	485.4	98.3	846.6	3,048.6	68.9	3,117.5
1974–	September	(d)2,226.4	271.3	502.2	98.1	871.6	(d)3,098.0	64.3	(d)3,162.3
	October	2,220.8	271.8	503.5	98.9	874.2	3,095.0	64.4	3,159.4
				Fl	EMALES				
1973–	September	1,350.8	99.6	191.3	15.0	305.9	1,656.7	3.1	1,659.8
	October	1,366.4	100.0	192.7	15.0	307.7	1,674.1	3.0	1,677.1
1974–	September	r1,399.5	109.1	r213.4	15.6	r338.0	r1,737.5	3.1	r1,740.6
	October	1,393.0	109.2	214.7	15.7	339.6	1,732.6	3.1	1,735.7
				Pl	ERSONS				
1973–	September	3,545.9	362.4	677.7	115.0	1,155.1	4,701.0	72.6	4,773.6
	October	3,568.3	363.0	678.1	113.3	1,154.4	4,722.7	71.9	4,794.6
1974–	September	r(d)3,625.9	380.4	r715.6	113.7	r1,209.6	r(d)4,835.5	67.4	r(d)4,902.9
	October	3,613.9	381.0	718.2	114.6	1,213.7	4,827.6	67.5	4,895.1

<sup>(</sup>a) Includes semi-government bodies. (b) Includes State and local government employees (4.8 thousand persons in June 1974) engaged in agriculture, or in private homes as employees of government emergency housekeeper services. (c) Permanent defence forces in Australia and overseas. (d) Affected by industrial disputes. r - revised.

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# TABLE 3. – CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES BY INDUSTRY, AUSTRALIA (Excluding agriculture and private domestic service) ('000)

MALES

Ships,

vehicles,

etc.

Yarns,

textiles,

etc.

Clothing

and

knitted

goods

Food,

drink

and

tobacco

Total

manufac-

turing

(b)

Electricity,

gas, water

and sanitary

services

Building

and

construction

Total

founding,

engineering,

(b)

Machinery metal working

and parts

Forestry,

fishing

and

trapping

Month

Mining

and

quarrying

Extracting,

refining,

founding,

etc.(a)

Metal

products

1973 -	September	13.7	70.1	88.6	102.8	101.8	343.6	177.7	28.4	17.0	146.0	1,034.4	108.8	362.4
	October	13.2	69.6	88.1	102.8	102.2	343.4	177.7	28.2	16.9	147.2	1,035.7	108.6	362.1
974 -	-September	13.6	73.3	90.3	102.4	105.8	350.5	177.5	24.9	16.1	143.2	1,032.9	110.3	(c)364.8
	October	13.4	73.6	90.1	101.1	105.5	347.7	175.6	23.8	16.0	144.5	1,025.4	110.4	365.0
							FEMALES							
1973 -	-September	0.7	4.7	8.6	25.8	19.0	85.9	25.5	22.8	71.9	55.0	372.9	8.5	20.0
	October	0.7	4.6	8.8	26.1	19.7	87.8	26.3	22.8	72.3	55.5	377.7	8.6	20.3
974 -	-September	1.0	5.1	9.9	26.1	21.0	91.0	27.3	18.9	67.7	56.6	372.8	8.9	20.8
	October	1.0	5.1	9.8	25.4	20.4	88.7	26.5	17.5	64.9	56.1	362.7	8.9	20.6
							PERSONS							
973 -	-September	14.4	74.8	97.2	128.6	120.9	429.5	203.1	51.2	88.9	201.0	1,407.3	117.3	382.4
	October	13.9	74.3	96.9	128.9	121.9	431.1	204.0	50.9	89.2	202.8	1,413.3	117.2	382.5
974 -	September	14.6	78.4	100.2	128.5	126.8	441.4	204.8	43.8	83.8	199.8	1,405.7	119.2	(c)385.6
	October	14.4	78.6	99.9	126.5	126.0	436.4	202.0	41.3	80.9	200.7	1,388.1	119.3	385.7
	Month	Road transport and storage	Total transport and storage (b)	Commun- ication	Finance and property	Retail trade	Total commerce (b)	Public authority activities, (n.e.i.)	Health, hospitals, etc.	Education	Total community and business services (b)	Hotels, personal service, etc.	Total amuse- ment, hotels, personal service, etc. (l	, all industry
							MALES							
973 -	- September	103.2	222.5	98.2	129.5	236.7	450.0	148.5	52.4	109.4	277.5	89.8	128.6	3,044.3
	October	103.9	222.9	98.5	129.1	238.9	453.0	148.6	52.7	109.4	278.4	90.7	128.9	3,048.6
974 -	September	106.3	230.4	101.2	132.1	241.8	458.0	154.6	56.0	116.6	293.7	93.3	132.9	(c)3,098.0
	October	106.0	231.0	101.3	131.5	243.7	460.0	154.8	56.8	117.2	294.8	93.8	133.5	3,095.0
							FEMALES							
.973 -	- September	13.6	29.7	29.2	99.2	273.0	363.5	73.2	221.6	149.0	470.8	161.3	184.2	1,656.7
	October	13.8	29.9	29.6	99.3	281.0	372.1	73.6	222.5	149.3	473.2	161.8	184.6	1,674.1
974 -	- September	14.7	31.6	31.0	107.2	285.3	379.9	82.4	r235.9	r166.5	r505.0	167.4	192.0	r1,737.5
	October	14.6	31.5	31.2	106.7	287.4	381.7	82.0	237.3	167.7	507.5	168.8	193.7	1,732.6
							PERSONS							
973 -	- September	116.8	252.2	127.4	228.7	509.8	813.5	221.7	274.1	258.5	748.3	251.1	312.9	4,701.0
	October	117.6	252.8	128.1	228.4	519.8	825.0	222.1	275.2	258.7	751.5	252.4	313.5	4,722.7
974 -	<ul><li>September</li><li>October</li></ul>	121.0 120.6	262.0 262.5	132.1 132.5	239.3 238.3	527.1 531.1	837.9 841.8	237.0 236.8	r291.9 294.1	r283.1 284.9	r798.7 802.3	260.7 262.6	324.9 327.3	r(c)4,835.5 4,827.6

### TABLE 4. – CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service) ('000)

		To	tal civilian emplo	yees	Private/Gover	nment (pe <b>rson</b> s)	Principal industries (persons)		
	Month	Males	Females	Persons	Private	Government (a)	Manufacturing	Commerce	
				ORIGI	NAL				
1973 –	September	3,044.3	1,656.7	4,701.0	3,545.9	1,155.1	1,407.3	813.5	
	October	3,048.6	1,674.1	4,722.7	3,568.3	1,154.4	1,413.3	825.0	
	November	3,075.5	1,701.5	4,777.0	3,618.5	1,158.5	1,429.8	845.1	
	December	3,091.5	1,703.9	4,795.4	3,631.1	1,164.3	1,428.1	857.9	
1974 –	January	3,087.7	1,687.0	4,774.7	3,612.4	1,162.3	1,424.8	838.6	
	February	3,097.4	1,717.8	4,815.2	3,635.9	1,179.3	1,433.4	839.1	
	March	3,109.1	1,735.7	4,844.8	3,658.8	1,186.0	1,438.8	844.0	
	April	3,109.6	1,742.2	4,851.8	3,662.2	1,189.6	1,439.0	844.6	
	May	3,118.1	1,750.4	4,868.5	3,676.1	1,192.4	1,440.8	848.0	
	June	3,119.7	1,752.6	4,872.3	3,675.9	1,196.4	1,437.7	847.1	
	July	(b)3,106.5	(b)1,745.9	(b)4,852.4	(b)3,650.0	(b)1,202.4	(b)1,421.4	(b)840.8	
	August	(b)3,101.2	(b)1,739.4	(b)4,840.6	(b)3,634.9	(b)1,205.7	(b)1,411.5	838.6	
	September	(b)3,098.0	r1,737.5	r(b)4,835.5	r(b)3,625.9	r1,209.6	1,405.7	837.9	
	October	3,095.0	1,732.6	4,827.6	3,613.9	1,213.7	1,388.1	841.8	
				SEASONALLY A	ADJUSTED (c)				
1973 _	- September	3,056.1	1,661.4	4,717.4	3,557.4	1,160 2	1,411.4	818.2	
17/5	October	3,060.7	1,674.1	4,735.6	3,573.9	1,161.8	1,414.6	826.5	
	November	3,072.5	1,690.4	4,763.1	3,599.6	1,163.7	1,421.7	835.0	
	December	3,080.2	1,696.8	4,772.2	3,614.0	1,163.4	1,429.5	836.7	
1074	– January	3,087.6	1,700.5	4,788.6	3,618.7	1,172.9	1,426.7	838.7	
17/4	February	3,088.5	1,716.1	4,804.2	3,630.5	1,174.6	1,428.3	842.5	
	March	3,098.6	1,727.5	4,827.6	3,646.1	1,177.0	1,429.5	846.	
	April	3,103.5	1,738.4	4,843.3	3,658.1	1,181.1	1,437.6	847.	
	May	3,113.6	1,747.5	4,861.1	3,673.8	1,185.7	1,440.6	848.	
	June	3,121.1	1,754.6	4,876.3	3,682.5	1,194.3	1,440.7	850.	
	July	(b)3,115.3	(b)1,752.8	(b)4,867.8	(b)3,665.0	(b)1,203.0	(b)1,427.9	(b)846.	
	August	(b)3,111.4	(b)1,747.3	(b)4,859.4	(b)3,650.9	(b)1,208.3	(b)1,417.8	845.	
	September	(b)3,110.1	r1,742.3	r(b)4,852.3	r(b)3,637.6	r1,214.9	1,409.8	842.	
	October	3,107.2	1,732.5	4,840.7	3,619.6	1,221.5	1,389.3	843.	

<sup>(</sup>a) See footnote (a) to Table 2. (b) Affected by industrial disputes. (c) See footnote (b) to Table 1. r - revised.

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